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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

(ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY & OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH)

DIRECTOR, DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY

SUBJECT: Department of Defense Fire and Emergency Services Training Conference

I encourage your fire and emergency service professionals to participate in the annual Department of Defense (DoD) Fire and Emergency Services Training Conference scheduled for August 11-18, 2004, in New Orleans, Louisiana. The DoD Training Conference will be held in conjunction with the International Association of Fire Chiefs Conference and Fire-Rescue International exhibits. On August 18<sup>th</sup>, at the DoD Fire and Emergency Services Awards Banquet, we will recognize DoD's best fire department, military and civilian fire fighters, military and civilian fire officers and heroism awardees.

These concurrent events provide a unique and valuable networking opportunity for our DoD fire and emergency service professionals to meet manufacturers and to receive informative technical presentations. The leading authorities in the fire and emergency services field will expose our participants to new fire fighting technologies and state-of-the-art equipment.

Because this year's fire and emergency services training conference is again near the end of the fiscal year, I urge you to plan ahead to assure maximum participation at this unique event.

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